

NSR Stakeholder Meeting Notes September 8, 2004 – Columbia, SC

Attendees:

Ruth Albright, Keith Bartlett, Liz Basil, Robbie Brown, Laura Dzamka, Tommy Flynn, John Hursey, Richard Langford, Duane Mummert, Leon Outlaw, Randy Pulley, Heather Preston, Lisa Shelton, Eric Thompson, Henk van der Meyden, Ben Williams,

Discussion of Comment Response Document

Comments were received from the SC Chamber of Commerce and Bowater Inc. on the proposed draft of regulation 61-62.5, Standard 7.1, Nonattainment New Source Review. The comments and the Department's responses were discussed.

Just prior to the meeting, staff received comments from the Southern Environmental Law Center (SELC). There was not enough opportunity to review these prior to the meeting, but staff will review and provide comments at a later date. Stakeholders asked if they could see the SELC comments electronically and staff agreed to circulate them.

Finally, staff mentioned that there would be a minor change made to regulation 61-62.1 to clarify that synthetic minor permits will apply to both attainment and nonattainment areas. Currently, the regulation is specific to Standard 7 which applies only to attainment areas.

Next steps

Staff plan to take the proposed PSD revisions and Nonattainment NSR regulation to the DHEC Board in October to seek permission to publish a proposed regulation in the November issue of the State Register. This will mark the start of the formal comment period. Staff will make some changes to the drafts as discussed and will circulate those to stakeholders before submitting them to the Board.